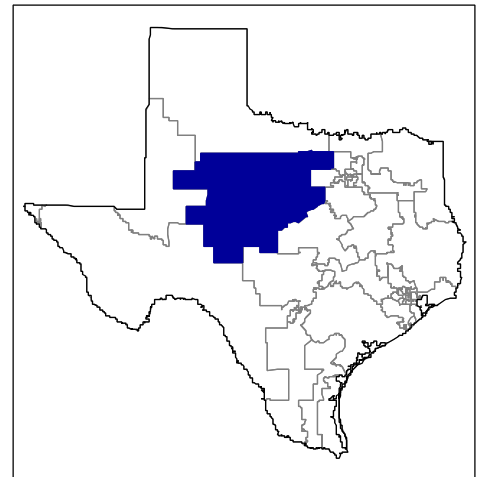




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Correction issued January 2005. See Economic Characteristics table.



### District 17, Texas

**Number of farms:** 25,433

**Land in farms:** 18,712,734 acres

**Average size of farm:** 736 acres

**Irrigated Land:** 248,906 acres

**Total Number of Farm Operators:** 36,999

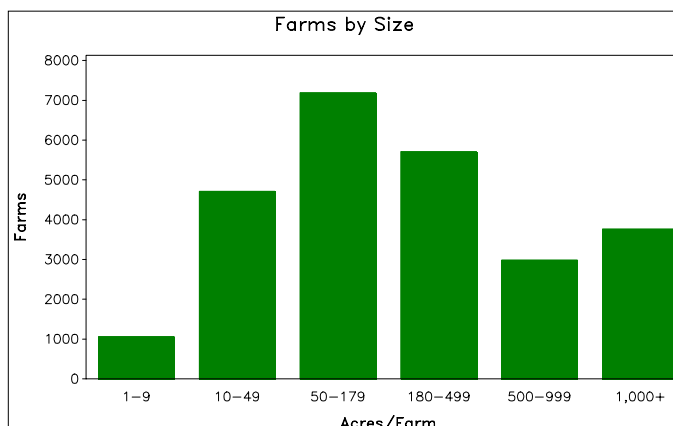
**Market Value of Production:** \$1,036,036,000

**Market Value of Production, average per farm:** \$40,736

**Government Payments:** \$76,111,000

**Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments:** \$9,210

**Gross Income from Farm Related Sources:** \$50,873,000



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United States Department of Agriculture, Texas Agricultural Statistics Service**

**District 17, Texas**

**Ranked items among the 32 congressional districts in the state, and among the 435 congressional districts in the U.S., 2002**

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	1,036,036	4	32	56	418
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) <sup>2</sup></b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	60,294	4	32	85	371
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	106
Cotton and cottonseed	138,613	3	23	9	111
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	9,025	6	30	153	398
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	9,749	4	32	87	403
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	9,357	18	32	314	415
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	20	(D)	349
Poultry and eggs	6,416	8	31	184	382
Cattle and calves	449,572	3	32	15	389
Milk and other dairy products from cows	263,602	1	22	18	339
Hogs and pigs	1,263	5	31	154	372
Sheep, goats, and their products	32,339	1	32	2	380
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	9,491	2	32	17	398
Aquaculture	570	7	23	157	321
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	1,324,992	3	32	13	394
Sheep and lambs	306,932	2	31	4	383
All Goats	(D)	2	31	(D)	387
Turkeys	201,530	3	28	54	356
Quail	73,512	2	25	13	313
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
All Cotton	979,240	3	24	3	113
All Wheat for grain	655,492	2	29	14	323
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	648,576	1	32	20	391
Sorghum for grain	154,610	6	28	12	243
Pecans	36,218	1	31	4	214

**Other Congressional District Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	7,849	Farming	13,882
\$1,000 to \$2,499	3,643	Other	11,551
\$2,500 to \$4,999	3,084		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	3,058	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	2,630	Male	22,501
\$20,000 to \$24,999	618	Female	2,932
\$25,000 to \$39,999 <sup>3</sup>	1,249		
\$40,000 to \$49,999 <sup>3</sup>	462	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,249		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	968	All operators <sup>4</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	336	White	35,903
\$500,000 or more	287	Black or African American	63
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000) <sup>3</sup>	1,059,858	American Indian or Alaska Native	228
Average per farm (\$) <sup>3</sup>	41,727	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	21
		Asian	43
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	114,868	More than one race	113
Average per farm (\$)	4,522	All operators <sup>4</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	1,283

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of congressional districts in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Categories are not comprehensive and will not sum to total.

<sup>3</sup> Value corrected January 2005.

<sup>4</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.